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For: METHOD FOR REMOVING STATIC ELECTRICITY IN FINGERPRINT-READING APPARATUS, FINGERPRINT READING APPARATUS, AND DATA TERMINAL PROVIDED WITH FINGERPRINT-READING APPARATUS

Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Sir:

Under the provisions of 37 CFR §1.97 through §1.99 and pursuant to applicant's duty of disclosure under 37 CFR §1.56, applicant respectfully brings the following document listed on the attached form PTO-1449, to the attention of the Examiner in charge of the above-identified application. A copy of the listed document is provided herewith for the convenience of the Examiner. In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 CFR §1.98(a)(3), the relevance of the related document is discussed on page 1 of the subject application.

This citation does not constitute an admission that the reference is relevant or material to the claims. It is only cited as constituting related art of which the applicant is aware.

It is respectfully requested that the listed reference be considered by the Examiner and formally made of record in this application.

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Respectfully submitted,

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